

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Call to Order: Chair Alan Redfield, on January 20, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Alan Redfield, Chair (R)
Rep. Christy Clark, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Seth Berglee (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Bill Harris (R)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Matthew Monforton (R)
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Albert Olszewski (R)
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Zac Perry (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Mike Lang (R)
Rep. Theresa Manzella (R)
Rep. Wendy McKamey (R)
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 145, 1/13/2015

HEARING ON HB 145**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:23 Rep. Mike Cuffe (R), HD 2, opened the hearing on HB 145, Revise laws related to livestock loss.

00:02:30 Rep. Mckamey Entered

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a02\)](#)

00:10:01 Rep. Lang entered

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:17 Nick Gevock, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:12:26 Jim Brown, Montana Wool Growers Association (MWGA)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a06\)](#)

00:15:01 Jake Troyer, Montana Audubon

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a07\)](#)

00:16:32 Marc Cooke, Wolves of the Rockies

00:17:55 Wayne Slaght, Self

00:20:11 Seth Wilson, Self

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a08\)](#)

00:27:06 Jay Bodner, Montana Cattlewoman

00:27:12 Rep. MacDonald Entered

00:28:44 Dave Schulz, Montana Association of Counties (MACO)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a09\)](#)

00:31:39 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)

00:32:27 Ben Lamb, Greater Yellowstone Coalition (GYC)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a10\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a11\)](#)

00:33:44 John Esp, Self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:34:27 George Edwards, Livestock Loss Board

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a12\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(agh12a13\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:37:45 Rep. Clark

00:38:19 Seth Wilson, Self

00:39:07 Rep. Clark

00:39:24 Seth Wilson, Self

00:39:42 Rep. Curdy

00:40:36 Seth Wilson, Self

00:40:42 Rep. Cuffe

00:41:52 Rep. Curdy

00:42:26 Seth Wilson, Self

00:43:33 Rep. Webber
00:44:03 Rep. Cuffe
00:44:27 George Edwards, Livestock Loss Board

Closing by Sponsor:

00:45:03 Rep. Cuffe
00:45:09 Rep. Monforton Entered

00:47:38 Chairman Redfield

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:47:54

Jessica Riffel, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([agh12aad.pdf](#))